# **Biographies**

## Moderator:

#### **SUERIE MOON**

Co-Director, Global Health Centre; Professor of Practice, The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies



Suerie Moon, MPA, PhD, is Co-Director of the Global Health Centre and Professor of Practice at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva. Her research and teaching focus on global governance, the political economy of global health (focusing on innovation and access to medicines; outbreak preparedness and response; trade, investment and intellectual property rules; and development assistance for health), the evolution of international regimes, and innovative policies for addressing global problems. She is the author, with Wolfgang Hein, of *Informal Norms in Global Governance: Human Rights*,

Intellectual Property Rules, and Access to Medicines (Routledge, 2013). She has conducted research on the policies and politics shaping innovation and access to medicines for twenty years, starting at Médecins Sans Frontières in 1999. She has served on a number of expert advisory bodies, including most recently the Board of Directors of the Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative, WHO Fair Pricing Forum Advisory Group, Expert Advisory Group to the UN Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines, Proposal Review Committee of UNITAID, and US National Academies of Medicine Forum on Antimicrobial Threats. Prior to joining the Graduate Institute, she was Study Director of the Harvard-LSHTM Independent Panel on the Global Response to Ebola, and co-founded and led the Forum on Global Governance for Health, a focal point at Harvard University for research, debate and strategic convening on issues at the intersection of global governance and health. She received a BA from Yale, an MPA from Princeton, and PhD from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

## **Opening remarks:**

## **JELENA MILENKOVIC**

**Director of Operations, Geneva Health Forum** 



Jelena Milenkovic has a Law Degree from the University of Geneva and a Master in Public International Law from the Paul-Cézanne University (Université d'Aix-Marseille, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales et Communautaires), France. Her areas of research focused on international environmental dispute settlement and on the stakes of sanitary and phytosanitary norms through the World Trade Organization agreements. She has worked for many years in multilateral diplomacy in Geneva. Firstly for the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA), in the field of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation. She was Advisor to the Swiss Task Force on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation where she co-managed projects aiming at bringing forward nuclear disarmament, notably through developing new knowledge and fostering new political approaches. Positioned at the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations Office and to the other international organizations in Geneva, she represented Switzerland in international fora and supported the Ambassador in charge of disarmament affairs in Geneva. Working closely with a coalition of diplomats and NGOs, she contributed to paving the way to the adoption of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by the United Nations General Assembly in July 2017.

Following this experience she joined a joint project of the Swiss government and the University of Geneva in the field of global water governance where she managed a joint initiative of 15 cross-regional countries aiming at fostering international water cooperation. Her work led to the production of the Report of the Global High-Level Panel on Water and Peace ("A Matter of Survival") containing recommendations to prevent water-related conflicts and making water an instrument of peace. The Report was launched in Geneva and in New-York during the United Nations General Assembly High-Level week and was presented to the UN Secretary General, among other high-level officials.

### Speakers:

#### **SONIA ROSCHNIK**

**Executive Director, Geneva Sustainability Centre** 



Sonia Roschnik is Executive Director of the Geneva Sustainability Centre for the International Hospital Federation. The Centre is set up to support Hospital and healthcare leadership to ensure their contribution towards a healthy and sustainable future for all.

Sonia comes with 30 years of experience in health and social care internationally as a clinician, in senior hospital management, and in sustainability. In her role as International Climate Policy Director for Health Care Without Harm, Sonia worked on a number of collaborative initiatives including the Global Roadmap for Healthcare Decarbonisation, Race to

Zero and the COP26 health leadership initiatives. Sonia also served as the Director of the Sustainable Development Unit (SDU) in the National Health Service (NHS) in England. During her tenure leading the SDU she launched the Greener NHS program, including a commitment to net zero climate emissions, positioning the NHS as the first national health system in the world to do so.

She trained as an Occupational Therapist, holds a Masters degree in Systems Thinking and is a member of the Faculty of Public Health in the UK. She is committed to the transformations needed for a sustainable and healthy planet for all.

#### **BRUNO JOCHUM**

Founder and Executive Director, The Climate Action Accelerator



Bruno Jochum is the Executive Director and founder of the Climate Action Accelerator, a non-for-profit initiative based in Geneva aiming to support aid and health organisations to halve their emissions by 2030, turn them into vectors of change and share climate solutions as an open source common good within a transnational community of practice. Previously Director-General of Médecins sans Frontières, Switzerland, he is the author of several articles on the humanitarian, health and aid dimensions of the climate crisis. He was a Global Fellow at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy in 2018-2019 and a regular contributor on climate at

Geneva Solutions, an online media. Bruno has extensive experience in the fields of humanitarian action and international health, crisis and instability situations, as well as expertise in the strategic steering of organizations and local governments. He began working in the Horn of Africa in 1993 and during the Rwandan refugee crisis in Goma, and then joined MSF from 2001 to 2018 in various positions of responsibility, as head of mission in Iran, programme manager of portfolio of countries, director of operations, and then Director-General from 2011 until end 2017. He was part of the executive committee of MSF international movement, member of the boards of Epicentre, the Access Campaign for Essential Medicine and MSF Logistique.

He completed the Breakthrough Programme for Senior Executives at IMD Lausanne in 2017, holds a Masters' degree in International Relations and International Law, after studying at the Institutes of Political Studies in Strasbourg and Paris.

### **RENZO GUINTO**

Chief Planetary Health Scientist Camp; Co-Founder of Sunway Centre For Planetary Health, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



Renzo Guinto, MD DrPH, is Associate Professor of the Practice of Global Public Health and Inaugural Director of the Planetary and Global Health Program of the St. Luke's Medical Center College of Medicine in the Philippines. Concurrently, he is also the Chief Planetary Health Scientist and Co-Founder of the Sunway Centre for Planetary Health in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He is a member of the National Panel of Technical Experts of the Climate Change Commission of the Philippines, and convener of Planetary Health Philippines – a community of Filipino scholars and

practitioners for advancing the new discipline of planetary health. An Obama Foundation Asia-Pacific Leader and Aspen Institute New Voices Fellow, Renzo has served as consultant for various organizations including the World Health Organization, World Bank, and Health Care Without Harm, and been a member of several international committees, advisory

boards, and networks including four Lancet Commissions and the editorial advisory board of The Lancet Planetary Health. Renzo obtained his Doctor of Public Health from Harvard University and Doctor of Medicine from the University of the Philippines Manila, and received further training from Oxford, Copenhagen, Western Cape, and East-West Center (Hawaii). He has traveled to and lectured in nearly 60 countries and 100 universities across the world; published more than 150 reports and articles in scientific journals, books, and popular media; and directed and produced short films that communicate the message of planetary healing to the world. In 2020, Renzo was included by Tatler Magazine in its Gen.T List of 400 leaders of tomorrow who are shaping Asia's future.

#### **MARIA NEIRA**

Director, Department of Environment, Climate Change and Health, WHO



Dr Maria P. Neira is the Director of the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Health at the World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland since September 2005. Prior to that she served as Under-Secretary of Health and President of the Spanish Food Safety Agency. Dr Neira began her career as a medical coordinator working with refugees in El Salvador and Honduras for Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders). She then spent several years working in different African countries during armed conflicts. Born in the city of Oviedo, Asturias, Dr Neira is a Spanish national, a medical doctor by training and specialized in Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases in Paris, France. In

addition, she holds a Master of Public Health and a Diploma in Human Nutrition, Epidemic Preparedness and Crisis Management. Among many distinctions, she has been awarded the Médaille de l'Ordre national du Mérite by the Government of France and received an "Extraordinary Woman" award by HM Queen Letizia of Spain. In early 2019, she was nominated among the top 100 policy influencers in health and climate change.